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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2001. This communication is filed concurrently with a Request for Extension of Time of 3 months together with the required fee, bringing the due date for response up through June 5, 2002. Also included herewith is a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131. Please consider the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete claims 5, 7, 16-19, 34-42, 44, 64 and 65.

Please rewrite the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) An isolated polynucleotide encoding a glutathione transferase (GST) subunit, which polynucleotide comprises a coding sequence which hybridizes selectively to the coding sequence of SEQ ID No. 1 or to the complement of SEQ ID No. 1.

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